

Descendants of William C GESKE

Generation 1

1. **WILLIAM C' GESKE** was born on 30 Aug 1843 in Germany. He died on 21 Aug 1901 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He married Augusta MIELKE in 1869 in Germany (3 sons, 4 daughters). She was born in 1848 in Germany. She died on 02 Mar 1920 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

William C GESKE was counted in the census in 1880 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Jetski"). He was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). He was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Notes for William C GESKE:

"Naturalization record in Calhoun Co IL. Signed by William Gaska, sworn in on November 5th 1888. Was a citizen under The King of Prussia." FindAGrave

"William Geske was born in Germany Aug. 30th, 1843 and departed this life at his home west of Hardin Wednesday Aug. 21, 1901, age 57 years, 11 months and 21 days. His marriage occurred in Germany in 1869, when he was united in marriage to Agusta Mielke. For thirty-two years they have been spared to one another to share their joys and sorrows. This union has been blessed with three sons and four daughters. One son was born in Germany, the other children's birth home being Calhoun County. One son and two daughters preceded the father to the grave. The wife, two sons and two daughters remain to mourn his loss. He united with the Lutheran Church in Germany and has been a member of it since residing in this county. Leaving his Fatherland in 1873, he came to this country and at once made his way to Calhoun County where he has since resided. As a citizen, he was esteemed by his fellowmen. The testimony of one that knew him is "His word was as good as his bond." His great heartedness and confidence in all men made him an easy mark for dishonest men who sometimes imposed upon him. Coming to this country a poor man, he leaves behind him that which testifies that he was a hard working, industrious man. The deceased was one of the old members of Hardin Camp 1621 Modern Woodmen of America. He was a man whose health has always been exceptionally good. After an illness of about ten days, he sleeps. The funeral services were held at the Hardin Presbyterian Church Thursday at 3 p.m. and was attended by a large number of his friends, Rev. Jas. R. Sager officiating. The camp had charge of the services at the grave. He was buried in the Village Cemetery. (Unknown Calhoun County newspaper; August 1901) Note: All spelling, capitalization and punctuation marks in obituary are exactly as they appeared in the original text." FindAGrave

Augusta MIELKE was counted in the census in 1880 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Jetski"). She was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). She was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois (widow). She was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois (with son). She was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

William C GESKE and Augusta MIELKE had the following children:

2. i. **AUGUST FREDRICK² GESKE** was born on 25 Jul 1870 in Germany. He died on 25 Nov 1940 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He married Ida SNIDER, daughter of James A SNIDER and Rebecca HILL, on 18 Sep 1892 in Calhoun, Illinois (7 children). She was born in Mar 1873 in Jersey, Illinois. She died on 30 Jul 1953 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.
3. ii. **ANNA M GESKE** was born in 1878 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died in 1960. She married Harrison Robert HAYES, son of William H HAYES and Emily Telitha JAYNES, on 24 Dec 1899 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was born on 18 Dec 1872 in Fieldon, Jersey, Illinois, USA. He died on 03 Jul 1942 in Calhoun, Illinois.
- iii. **FRANK GESKE** was born on 22 Oct 1882 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He died on 01 Sep 1919 in St Louis, St Louis, Missouri.

Frank GESKE was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). He was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois (with mom). He was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Notes for Frank GESKE:

"The son of William C. Geske and Augusta Mielke, Frank was born and raised in Calhoun County, Illinois. He worked as a day laborer and clam shell fisherman. Frank never married and lived at home with his mother. Frank was a resident of Hardin, Illinois At the time of his death, he was 36 years, 10 days and 10 months

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old. He was survived by his mother, Augusta, who passed away in 1920."
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4. iv. LENA LOUISE GESKE was born on 30 Jun 1885 in Hamburg, Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 08 Oct 1947 in Alton, Madison, Illinois. She married Julius E DUCEPT on 18 Oct 1903 in Calhoun, Illinois (3 children). He was born on 03 Feb 1882 in Illinois. He died in Jul 1968 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

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2. **AUGUST FREDRICK² GESKE** (William C¹) was born on 25 Jul 1870 in Germany. He died on 25 Nov 1940 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He married Ida SNIDER, daughter of James A SNIDER and Rebecca HILL, on 18 Sep 1892 in Calhoun, Illinois (7 children). She was born in Mar 1873 in Jersey, Illinois. She died on 30 Jul 1953 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

August Fredrick GESKE was counted in the census in 1880 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Jetski"). He was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). He was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1930 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Ida SNIDER was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Ada Gaska"). She was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1930 in Calhoun, Illinois.

Notes for Ida SNIDER:

"Alton Evening Telegraph, Saturday, 1 Aug 1953

Mrs. Adah Geske

Mrs. Adah Geske, 80, widow of August Geske, died at the Calhoun Nursing Home near Hardin at 11:45 p.m. Thursday. [30 Jul 1953] Her body was brought to the Hanks funeral home here where it will remain until the funeral services Sunday, and where friends may call after 1:00 p.m. today.

Mrs. Geske was the daughter of James A. and Rebecca Hill Snider. She was born in Jersey County, but lived for 60 years on the Geske homestead three miles west of Hardin. Her husband has been dead for several years.

She was the mother of seven children, only three of whom survive. Her son, Sam, and family live on the home place and there is one daughter in Chicago and one in California. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Hardin Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Lyle D. Stone at 2 p.m. (CST). Burial will be in Hardin Cemetery.

Adah & August Geske married 18 Sep 1892 in Calhoun County, Illinois. Officiated by Judge Francis I. Bizaillion. (Marriage information quoted from the Marriages of Calhoun County, 1825-1982 book compiled by the Calhoun County Historical Society. Personal Library of Lori J. Zierden.)" FindAGrave

August Fredrick GESKE and Ida SNIDER had the following children:

- i. MARY R³ GESKE was born in 1893 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. She died in 1894 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

Mary R GESKE was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).
- ii. LOUIS A GESKE was born on 31 Dec 1894 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He died on 15 Apr 1915 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

Louis A GESKE was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). He was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was buried in Hardin, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).
5. iii. EMMA ROSE GESKE was born in Jan 1896 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 20 Sep 1995 in Buena Park, Orange, California, USA (maybe). She married Leon Arthur HADLEY on 30 Sep 1913 in St Louis, Missouri. He was born on 16 Jan 1896 in Batchtown, Calhoun, Illinois, USA. He died on 28 Sep 1938 in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA.

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- iv. MINNIE AUGUSTA GESKE was born on 22 Oct 1897 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 29 Apr 1944 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. She married WILSON RUSH BAILEY. He was born on 26 Jan 1890 in Gilead, Calhoun, Illinois, USA. He died in Feb 1969 in Illinois.

Minnie Augusta GESKE was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). She was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois.

Wilson Rush BAILEY was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

- v. CARLEAN ARMENTA GESKE was born on 30 May 1901 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 27 Oct 1935 in Calhoun, Illinois. She married William RUYLE on 21 May 1918 in Illinois.

Carlean Armenta GESKE was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Notes for Carlean Armenta GESKE:

"Alton Evening Telegraph. Tuesday, 29 Oct 1935, Pg. 3. Mrs. Carlean Ruyle of Hardin Buried HARDIN, Oct. 29, (Special)-Funeral services were held at the Pentecostal Church here at 2 p.m. today for Mrs. Carlean Ruyle, 35, wife of William Ruyle, who died at her home west of here Sunday after an illness of a few days caused from pneumonia. The Rev. Fred Smith, pastor of the church officiated and burial was made in the city cemetery. Besides the husband, three children, William A. jr., Vera, and Minnie Rose; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Geske; one brother, Samuel Geske of Hardin; and three sisters, Mrs. Wilson Bailey, of Hardin, Mrs. Emma Hadly of California and Mrs. Bessie Hunt of Alton, survive. " FindAGrave

William RUYLE was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois.

- vi. SAMUEL A GESKE was born on 28 Dec 1902 in Calhoun, Illinois. He died on 27 Apr 1980 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois. He married VERA A KRESS. She was born on 28 Jan 1912 in Illinois. She died on 03 Sep 2005.

Samuel A GESKE was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was counted in the census in 1930 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was buried in Calhoun, Illinois (Indian Creek Cemetery).

Vera A KRESS was counted in the census in 1930 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was buried in Hamburg, Calhoun, Illinois (Indian Creek Cemetery).

- vii. BESSIE E GESKE was born on 12 Dec 1908 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died in 1992. She married CARL RICHARD TOBIAS. He was born on 01 Sep 1912 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. He died in 1983.

Bessie E GESKE was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1920 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was buried in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois (Carrollton City Cemetery).

Carl Richard TOBIAS was buried in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois (Carrollton City Cemetery).

3. **ANNA M² GESKE** (William C¹) was born in 1878 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died in 1960. She married Harrison Robert HAYES, son of William H HAYES and Emily Telitha JAYNES, on 24 Dec 1899 in Calhoun, Illinois. He was born on 18 Dec 1872 in Fieldon, Jersey, Illinois, USA. He died on 03 Jul 1942 in Calhoun, Illinois.

Anna M GESKE was counted in the census in 1880 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Jetski"). She was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Harrison Robert HAYES was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Harrison Robert HAYES and Anna M GESKE had the following children:

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- i. AUGUSTA D³ HAYES was born on 17 Sep 1902 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 18 Jul 1993 in Jerseyville, Jersey, Illinois.
 - ii. HOMER H HAYES was born on 23 Nov 1904 in Grafton, Jersey, Illinois, USA. He died on 21 Jul 1993 in Alton, Madison, Illinois.
 - iii. EDNA HAYS was born in 1912 in Illinois. She died before 2012.
 - iv. NORA HAYS was born in 1915 in Illinois. She died before 2015.
4. **LENA LOUISE² GESKE** (William C¹) was born on 30 Jun 1885 in Hamburg, Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 08 Oct 1947 in Alton, Madison, Illinois. She married Julius E DUCEPT on 18 Oct 1903 in Calhoun, Illinois (3 children). He was born on 03 Feb 1882 in Illinois. He died in Jul 1968 in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois.

Lena Louise GESKE was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). She was buried in Hardin, Calhoun, Illinois (Hardin Cemetery).

Julius E DUCEPT and Lena Louise GESKE had the following children:

- i. MARTIN LUTHER³ DUCEP was born in 1904. He died in 1974.
- ii. M IRENE DUCEP was born in 1908. She died in 1978. She married SWERINGIN.
- iii. CARL W DUCEP was born in 1911. He died in 2005.

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5. **EMMA ROSE³ GESKE** (August Fredrick², William C¹) was born in Jan 1896 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died on 20 Sep 1995 in Buena Park, Orange, California, USA (maybe). She married Leon Arthur HADLEY on 30 Sep 1913 in St Louis, Missouri. He was born on 16 Jan 1896 in Batchtown, Calhoun, Illinois, USA. He died on 28 Sep 1938 in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA.

Emma Rose GESKE was counted in the census in 1900 in Calhoun, Illinois ("Gaska"). She was counted in the census in 1910 in Calhoun, Illinois. She was counted in the census in 1920 in Richwood, Calhoun, Illinois, USA. She was counted in the census in 1930 in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA. She was counted in the census in 1940 in San Ysidro, San Diego, California, USA (widow).

Leon Arthur HADLEY was counted in the census in 1920 in Richwood, Calhoun, Illinois, USA. He was counted in the census in 1930 in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA. He was buried in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA (Greenwood Memorial Park).

Leon Arthur HADLEY and Emma Rose GESKE had the following children:

- i. RUTH A⁴ HADLEY was born on 21 Apr 1915 in Calhoun, Illinois. She died in 1919 in Batchtown, Calhoun, Illinois, USA.

Ruth A HADLEY was buried in Batchtown, Calhoun, Illinois, USA (Wilson Cemetery).
- ii. LEONA HADLEY was born about 1921 in Illinois. She died before 2019 (maybe). She married an unknown spouse on 20 Jul 1913.

Leona HADLEY was counted in the census in 1930 in San Diego, San Diego, California, USA.